La Peña Cultural Center
3105 Shattuck Ave.
Berkeley, CA 94705

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Two-Month Calendar
(See back for December 2010)
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La Peña Cultural Center

Administrative Office Hours
Monday - Friday, 10am - 5pm
(510) 849-2568
(press ext. 4 for program info.)
(press *2 for staff directory)
email: info@lapena.org / www.lapena.org

La Tienda Day Box Office

FOR ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY
Tuesday - Friday, 1 - 6pm
(510) 849-2568 ext. 20 or www.lapena.org

Café Valparaíso at La Peña

The Café is an independently operated family business run by Pablo and Miriam Valenzuela.
It will be closed Thu. Nov.25, Dec. 20-26 and Jan. 1, 2011.
Regular Hours of Operation:
Wed. & Thu.: 5:30pm-9:30pm
Fridays: 11am-10:30pm
Saturdays: 11am-10:30pm
Sundays: 11am-9:30pm
Phone/fax (510) 841-3800

La Peña disclaimer: Since 1975, more than 1,000 community groups have used La Peña's space. The use of our space does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña believes that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion & understanding among different peoples & points of view.

* Indicates that this program is a community rental and/or benefit and that La Peña discount cards are not valid.
Programs subject to change. La Peña is wheelchair accessible.

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SEE DECEMBER 2010 ON THE BACK

HECHO EN CALIFAS FESTIVAL 2010!

Beloved: A Requiem for Our Dead, Bocas Radioactivas, Victor in Shadow, Queendom, Yosimar Reyes, Liza Garza, TruBloo, Pachulli, Rebelate! ... and more!

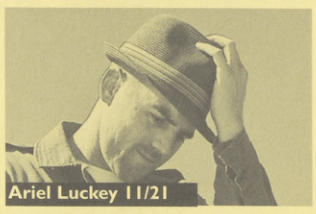
HECHO EN CALIFAS FESTIVAL PRESENTS

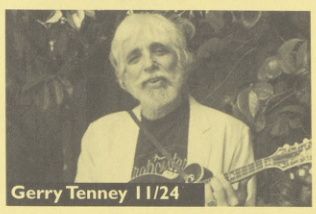
REBELATE!

A Daytime Screen Printing Workshop
Sunday, Nov. 14 • 3:30-5:30pm FREE
Radical Poster Making for Our Liberation. A Screen Printing Workshop by Melanie Cervantes and Jesus Barraza of *Dignidad Rebelde*. Discuss the role of design, art and culture in community transformation and movement building and learn the screen printing process as well as get hands-on experience printing posters.

Liza Garza 11/14

Tru Bloo 11/14


Ariel Luckey 11/21


Gerry Tenney 11/24

WEDNESDAY

3 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN

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CHECK LA PEÑA'S WEB SITE FOR MORE INFO. AND UP-TO-THE-MINUTE PROGRAMMING WWW.LAPENA.ORG

The People's Lounge Happy Hour!
Every first Friday of the month.
Join us for a social gathering with a live deejay in our newly painted café lobby/bar. Release your stress, listen to Deejay Rockstarr, and have some drinks ($3.75 beer, wine, or sangria). **5:30-7pm**

FRIDAY

5 HECHO EN CALIFAS FESTIVAL

Because we refuse to forget you
Beloved: A Requiem for Our Dead
Featuring: Juba Kalamka, Amanda Vigil, Irina Contreras, Nico Dacumos, Sheena Johnson, & Ms. Cherry Galette. Elegies of story, song, dance, drag, & film to honor our erased, fallen and slain queer & trans people of color family lost to hate crimes, war, colonization, & genocide.
8pm $10-$20 sliding scale
Material of adult nature. Please refrain from wearing scented products.

SATURDAY

6 BONNIE LOCKHART 10:30AM

HECHO EN CALIFAS FESTIVAL
Bilingual Spoken Word about Race, Latin America & Hip-Hop
Bocas RadioActivas
La poesía y politica del Hip-Hop. Featuring: **Los Rakas** (Panama/Oakland), **Bocafloja** (Mexico D.F.), **Doble Filo** (Cuba), **Paul S. Flores** (San Francisco) With Special Guest Youth Speaks poet **Brandon Santiago** & **DJ Leydis** (Cuba) Todas edades! All Ages! Se habla español... con ganas.
7:30pm $12 gen.

SUNDAY

7 COMMUNITY RUMBA 3:30-6PM

Discussion with Photo/Journalist
David Bacon
"Protecting Oil Companies and Attacking Unions - US Policy in Iraq and the US"
Presented by Grandmothers Against the War and US Labor Against the War.
7pm $5-$10 sliding scale*

Lynette Yetter's book reading
Café Lobby: 1-3pm

14 HECHO EN CALIFAS FESTIVAL

Mujeres en la Resistencia
Music, poetry & hip hop. Hosted by **Yosimar Reyes**
Liza Garza, TruBloo, Pachulli
Liza Garza possesses the ability to keep listeners captivated while provoking social change & action. **TruBloo**, an Arab-Armenian hip hop MC from Oakland, grabs the mic with skill and wisdom. **Pachulli**, playing son jarocho, traditional music from Veracruz, Mexico.
8pm $10 adv. $12 dr.

21 COMMUNITY RUMBA 3:30-6PM

5th Annual
Thangs Taken: rethinking thanksgiving
Hosted by **Ariel Luckey** and featuring Audiopharmacy, Jeremy Goodfeather, Yvonne Swan, Raw-G, and other special guests.
7pm $10-$25 sliding scale

28 MEXICAN MUSIC TARDEADA 3-6PM

16th Annual Womyn of Color Arts & Crafts Show 2010
10:30am – 4:30pm*
Free Admission
Original handmade art by local womyn of color artists: paintings, sculptures, jewelry, clothing & many great gifts.
Call 510-628-0647 for more info.

MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS MUSIC CLASSES WWW.LAPENA.ORG

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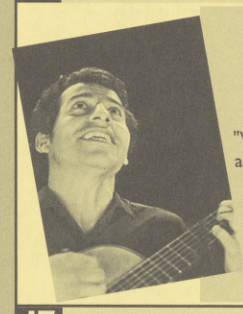

November 10, 11, & 12
Written by Lakin Valdez / Directed by Kinan Valdez
Victor in Shadow
Proudly commissioned by La Peña Cultural Center and El Teatro Campesino, "Victor in Shadow" is a dramatic play with live music based on the life and art of Chilean activist and folksinger Victor Jara. Set in 1973, the play chronicles the coup d'etat that led to the violent installation of dictator Augusto Pinochet and the symbolic and tragic death of the famed folk singer. Through a dynamic combination of live music, movement, and dramatic storytelling, "Victor" seeks to recapture and explore a vivacious yet tumultuous period in Chilean history.
8pm $10 adv./students $12 gen.

13 GERRY TENNEY 10:30AM

HECHO EN CALIFAS FESTIVAL
Queendom
Hip-hop, in many ways, reflects the broader patriarchal society. QUEENDOM, a fundraiser for Girls Inc., places women at the center. Witness ladies representing all 4 elements - graf writing, breakin', MCing & DJing - as they always have.
9pm $10 adv./students $12 gen.

17 BENEFIT CONCERT

A Gathering of Musicians
to raise funds to help pay medical bills.
Featured: Grupo Hanackpacha, Rompe y Raja, Jorge Tapia y Lydia Mills, Marina La Valle, Fernando Torres, Fernanda Bustamante y Roberto Hernandez, & Guido Moscoso.
8pm $12-$20 sliding scale*

18 SHOWCASE

Go Ohana!
A monthly showcase of Asian American musicians, spoken word artists, dancers, video/multi-disciplinary artists and visual artists.
7:30pm $10 gen. $8 students

19 TWO DAYS OF COMEDY!

Two Nights! Friday & Saturday Nov. 19 & 20
Marga Gomez: Ticklish!
Marga returns to La Peña for a night of uncontrollable laughter. Using only her freshest comedic material and gap toothed grin, Gomez will tease the most *ticklish* areas of the mind & wrestle life's peccadillos to the ground. The world has gone rogue. Soccer moms are now Mama Grizzlies. Glenn Beck whines and thinks he's Dr. King. It's time to regroup for a Marga tickle treatment.
8pm $20 (Advance tixs recommended)
Produced by Hesternet Productions.

20 DERIQUE 10:30AM

24 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN

Gerry Tenney & Hard Times
Singer, songwriter, guitarist, & mandolinist Gerry Tenney, is joined by the *Hard Times* orchestra to make musical commentary about the economic downturn and labor struggles.
8pm $10-$15 sliding scale

25 CAFE VALPARAÍSO CLOSED

La Peña & Café Valparaíso Closed
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES SUNRISE
We encourage you to attend the
Indigenous People's Sunrise Gathering in Alcatraz
Thursday, November 25, 2010.

26 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN

27 CRAFTS FAIR

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10:30am – 4:30pm*
Free Admission
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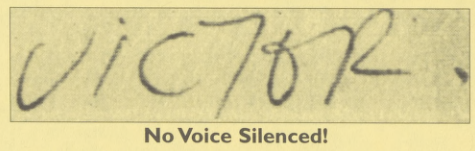
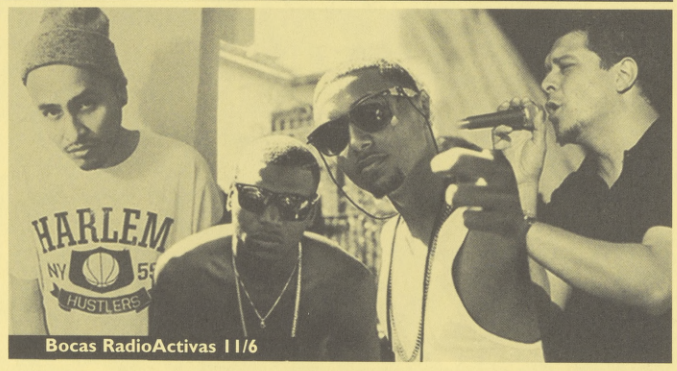
LA PEÑA'S EXHIBIT NOV. & DEC.



No Voice Silenced!
In conjunction with our commissioned play, ***Victor in Shadow*** (See Nov. 10-12), La Peña presents a collection of photos, posters & prints from La Peña's archival collection inspired by the story of singer/songwriter, Victor Jara, killed during the US-backed Chilean coup of 9/11/73.
Curated by Laura Ruiz.



Bocas RadioActivas 11/6

2010 FESTIVAL FLAMENCO GITANO DIRECT FROM SPAIN!

TUES, NOV 16: Pepe Torres (of Son de la Frontera)
WED, NOV 17: Angelita Vargas/Jairo Barrull
Thrust Stage (Berkeley Repertory Theatre, 2025 Addision St.)
INFO & TICKETS: www.BayAreaFlamencoFestival.com
800-838-3006

Advance Ticket Updated Information

For purchases by phone, online and/or mail, we will hold tickets at the will-call window 30 minutes prior to show time.

In Person: Avoid the $2 service charge by coming to our daytime box office with cash or check Tue.–Fri., 1-6pm. **By Phone**: Using your credit card, call 510-849-2568 ext. 20 Tue.-Fri. from 1-6pm. (There is a $2 service charge per ticket). **Online**: We sell our tickets online at BrownPaperTickets.com. **By Mail**: Send a check 5 days prior to the event to La Peña Box Office, 3105 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley, CA 94705. Please include your name, number of tickets, day of the event, and a daytime phone number. ***Our daytime box office is closed on Saturdays.***
For More Info: *510-849-2568 ext. 20 Tue.-Fri. from 1-6pm.*

Los Amiguitos de La Peña

Saturday Morning Children's Programs

10:30am $5 adults, $4 children

Our morning programs expose children to live performances & music as well as to performers who reflect the diversity of the world around us.

Sat., Nov. 6: **Bonnie Lockhart**. A morning of harvest songs.
Sat., Nov. 13: **Gerry Tenney**. Original folk songs.
Sat., Nov. 20: **Derique**. Clowning and ham bone music.

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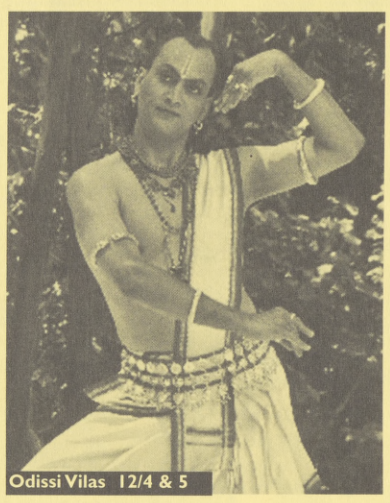
La Mixta Criolla 12/18

Aguacero 12/18

Jackeline Rago 12/11


Odissi Vilas 12/4 & 5

Altipampa 12/3

A good song, a beautiful dance, or a warm meal

INVITING, INSPIRING AND RELEVANT

Become A La Peña Donor

There is nothing like a good song, a beautiful dance or a warm meal with a friend to lighten up our hearts during difficult times, or to inspire us into action. La Peña is the place to provide you with all of that, and more.

As we approach the season of giving and receiving, La Peña would love to receive your generosity as we, staff, board and volunteers, continue to do our best to keep La Peña open, inviting, inspiring and relevant. Like many non-profit organizations, La Peña is feeling the effects of an ill economy. We are already tightening our belt, but with your support, we're confident we will ride this crisis.

Since 1975, La Peña has provided artists and students opportunities to learn specific cultural traditions, and supported the development of new and socially engaging work.

Your contribution makes it possible to keep our doors open and fulfill on our mission of promoting peace, social justice and cultural understanding through the arts, education and community action.

You can donate online at www.lapena.org.

WAYS TO HELP: Become a monthly sustainer; volunteer; include La Peña in your will; donate goods and services; send us your unused BART tickets; join escrip. For more information, call Nadine at 510-849-2568 ext. 12.

MONDAYS & TUESDAYS CLASSES / WWW.LAPENA.ORG

SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN **Help Support La Peña with eScrip** EScrip is a hassle-free way for La Peña to raise funds through everyday purchases made at eScrip merchants. Hundreds of merchants contribute a percentage to La Peña when you shop. Call Nadine at (510) 849-2568 ext. 12 to learn more.	**2** NEW PERFORMANCES **Under My Skin** is an evening of new performances by **Maceo Cabrera Estévez, Samuel González, Marcus Kuiland-Nazario, & Reina Alejandra Prado**, where they'll serve up humour and wit reflecting on *las cositas* or people that get under their skin. **8pm $15 gen. $12 students & seniors**	**3** ANDEAN MUSIC IS BACK **Altipampa** Omar Sepulveda, Jorge Tapia, Pamela Darington, Lydia Mills & friends gather for a night of beautiful music from the Andes. Guest artists include ***Jose Luis Reynolds***, the Bolivian ensemble ***Jatun Marka***, and the advanced students of ***Los Mapaches***. Benefit concert for *Los Mapaches* programs & scholarship fund. **7:30pm $15-$25** (sliding scale) **$40-$60 family**	**4** GARY LAPOW 10:30AM **Ustav: Festivity of Music & Movements** Join Bay Area's ***Odissi Vilas*** as they present a night of Odissi, ancient dance from India in a repertoire of auspicious beginnings, storytelling, pallavi or pure dance and moksha or dance of liberation and bliss. Odissi Vilas will paint movements and form through dance in this night of beauty, grace, technique & discipline in dance. **8pm $13 adv. $15 dr.**
5 COMMUNITY RUMBA 3:30-6PM **La Peña's Amiguitos Class Showcase** Come check out La Peña's up-and-coming young stars, with talented performances by the Afro-Puerto Rican Youth Bomba Class, the Afro-Peruvian Youth Ensemble, the Folklore of the African Diaspora Youth Class, and the Youth Vocal Class. **7pm $5 gen.**	**8** CAFE SCIENCE IN THE CAFE LOBBY 7PM FREE **CHECK LA PEÑA'S** WEB SITE FOR MORE INFO. & UP-TO-THE MINUTE PROGRAMMING **WWW.LAPENA.ORG**	**9** RECITAL **La Peña's Latin Jazz Orchestra** Join us for an evening recital of great salsa and Latin Jazz arrangements performed by the *La Peña Latin Jazz Orchestra,* directed by internationally renowned percussion instructor and musician Josh Jones. **8pm $8 gen.**	**10** CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN Social Life productions presents: All Female Hip Hop Showcase **The Fundamentals!** Feat MCs: Mack Misstress (Oakland) Fiona Simone (Atlanta) Kandi Cole (Los Angeles) Beats By DJ Rapture **8pm $10 gen. $7 students**	**11** MARIELA HERRERA 10:30AM Venezuelan Music Project Presents **Parrandón Gaitero 2010** Celebrate *la navidad* with VMP & the Venezuelan gaitas, parrandas & more! Jackeline Rago: cuatro; Francy Hernandez, Anna Maria Violich, Jimmy Kansau: lead vocals; Omar Ledezma, Lali Mejia: percussion, Sam Bevan: bass; Donna Viscuso: woodwinds; Fernando Lezama: keyboards. Special guest: Norma Kansau. **8:30pm $16 adv. $18 dr.**
12 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN **ATTENTION STUDENTS:** **Do your part for Cultural Activism and Social Justice and become a La Peña volunteer or intern today! Internships for school credit can also be arranged. Call Mariola at (510) 849-2568 ext.13 or mariola@lapena.org**	**15** BENEFIT EVENT **The International Indian Treaty Council** presents an evening of cultural presentations and updates on human rights and environmental justice struggles from Indigenous Peoples around the world. **7:30pm $5-$10 sliding scale***	**16** CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN **Make a difference through the arts! Support La Peña!** During these tough economic times, individual contributions make a significant difference in La Peña's annual programming. Support our plethora of educational events, concerts, exhibits, children's programs, classes, and community fundraisers. No amount is too large or too small! Donate online at www.lapena.org	**17** SHOWCASE **Go Ohana!** A monthly showcase of Asian American musicians, spoken word artists, dancers, video/multi-disciplinary artists and visual artists. **7:30pm $10 gen. $8 students**	**18** BONNIE & FRAN 10:30AM Ten Year Anniversary Celebration of the Bomba y Plena Workshop **Grupo Aguacero y La Mixta Criolla** Celebrate ten years of promoting & teaching Puerto Rican music, dance and culture in the Bay Area with lots of Bomba, Plena, Parranda, Aguinaldo, Seis & Guaracha. Special guest directly from Puerto Rico. Followed by a Bombazo at La Peña's Café Valparaíso. **8pm $10 adv. $12 dr.**
19 COMMUNITY RUMBA 3:30-6PM Looking for a space for your community event? Did you know you can **RENT US?** Plan your community activity at La Peña. Priority is given to day time rentals. Call us at (510) 849-2568 ext. 13	**22**	**23**	**24**	**25**
26 THEATRE & CAFE CLOSED CHECK LA PEÑA'S WEB SITE FOR UP-TO-THE-MINUTE PROGRAMMING WWW.LAPENA.ORG *Muchas Gracias!* *Your generous support allows La Peña to fulfill our mission of promoting peace, social justice and cultural understanding through the arts, education and social action. Please donate securely online at: www.lapena.org*	**29** CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN	**30** CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN	**31** NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE CELEBRATION **Orquesta La Moderna Tradición** **The Orquesta performs classic and modern Cuban dance music.** **Friday, December 31, 2010** **9:30pm • $25 adv. $28 dr.** **Purchase tickets at www.lapena.org or by phone at (510) 849-2568 ext. 20.** **A portion of the proceeds benefits La Peña Cultural Center.** **Special New Year's Eve Menu in Café Valparaíso. Call (510) 841-3800 for dinner reservations.**	

The La Peña Theater and Café Valparaíso will be closed this week.
Our administrative offices will be open during our regular hours.

PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR PROGRAMS GOING STRONG IN 2011!
CONSIDER MAKING A YEAR-END DONATION TO LA PEÑA. WE ARE A 501(C) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION AND RELY ON GRASSROOTS SUPPORT.
NO AMOUNT IS TOO SMALL

THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS FUNDERS!
Alameda County Arts Commission, Berkeley Civic Arts Commission, Doris Duke Charitable Foundation, Ford Foundation, Gerbode Foundation, Kaiser Permanente Thrive, National Performance Network, The James Irvine Foundation, LIA Fund, National Endowment for the Arts, Nonprofit Finance Fund, San Francisco Foundation, Walter and Elise Haas Fund, William & Flora Hewlett Foundation, Vanguard Foundation, Zellerbach Family Fund and to our many generous individual donors.

ORQUESTA LA MODERNA TRADICIÓN'S NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE CELEBRATION, FRIDAY DEC. 31

Sunday, December 5 • 12:30-3:30pm $25

Guru Sri Vishnu Tattva Das

will teach a three-hour Odissi workshop that will take participants on a journey through the grace and intimate details of India's oldest classical Indian dance form. Students will learn basic postures in chouka and tribhangi, basic steps, mudras or hand movements, warm up exercises, graceful walks and how Odissi dance strengthens the mind, body, and spirit. Beginners welcome. Please wear comfortable flexible clothing. Please call 510-681-1036 to register.

Day Time Box Office Hours Change Effective 10/9/10

Due to the deep economic recession, we are no longer offering La Tienda's day time box office services on Saturdays. La Tienda will still be open Tuesday-Friday from 1-6pm for purchasing advanced tickets. You can buy them in the following ways.

By Phone: Using your credit card. Call 510-849-2568 x20 Tuesday - Friday from 1-6pm. (There is a $2 service charge per ticket). We will hold tickets at the will-call window where you can pick them up 30 minutes prior to show time.

In Person: You can avoid the $2 service charge by coming to La Tienda office to pay with cash or check, Tuesday – Friday from 1-6pm.

Online: We also sell tickets online through Brown Paper Tickets (brownpapertickets.com), a not-just-for-profit company. We will hold tickets at the will-call window where you can pick them up 30 min. prior to show time.

By Mail: Send a check at least 5 days prior to the event to La Peña Box Office, 3105 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley, CA 94705. Please include your name, number of tickets, day of the event, and a daytime phone number. You can pick them up at the will-call window 30 minutes prior to show time.

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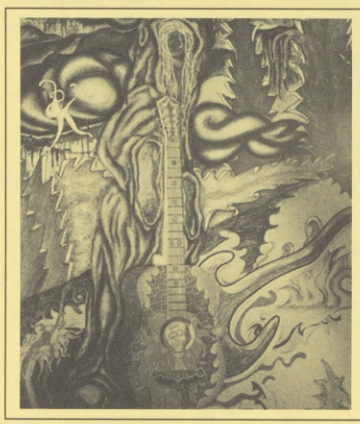

LA PEÑA'S EXHIBIT DECEMBER 2010

December 4 - 31: In the Lobby & Café Valparaíso.

The art of **Juan Manuel Rodriguez**. Juan Manuel believes that drawings, whether pencil or pastel, should be valued as highly as paintings.

Los Amiguitos de La Peña

Saturday Morning Children's Shows
10:30am $5 adults, $4 children

Sat., Dec. 4: **Gary Lapow.** Celebrate the many joys of life.
Sat., Dec. 11: **Mariela Herrera.** Holiday songs.
Sat., Dec. 18: **Fran Avni & Bonnie Lockhart.** Great Sing-along.

The Latest News and Updates About La Peña and its Shows, Win Free Admissions in our Monthly Raffle: Subscribe to our Bi-Weekly ENewsletter at www.lapena.org